

and deposited under the terms of the Budapest Treaty on December 4, 2000 with the American Type Culture Collection (ATCC), Manassas, VA, under Accession Number PTA-2759.

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The present invention includes a *Medicago sativa* hybrid plant or cultivated alfalfa plant derived from the seed deposited under Accession Number PTA-2759. The plant may be grown directly from the seed deposited under Accession Number PTA-2759, or may be obtained indirectly from a plant grown directly from the seed by any suitable means. For example, the plant may be generated from seed produced by a plant grown directly from the seed, from a cutting taken from a plant grown directly from the seed, or from tissue culture or callous derived from cells from a plant grown directly from the seed. The invention includes succeeding generations of plants derived from plants grown from the seed of Accession Number PTA-2759.

In other aspects, the present invention includes the pollen and ovule of a plant derived from the seed deposited under Accession Number PTA-2759.

On page 3, line 25, please replace the first two paragraphs under "DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION" with the following paragraphs:

In one aspect, the present invention includes the hybrid alfalfa seed deposited under the Budapest Treaty on December 4, 2000 with the American Type Culture Collection in Manassas, VA as Accession Number PTA-2759, and plants or plant parts derived from the seed deposited as Accession Number PTA-2759.

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By "a plant derived from the seed deposited as Accession Number PTA-2759", it is meant a plant that is grown directly from the seed deposited as Accession Number PTA-2759, or a plant that is obtained indirectly from a plant grown from the seed deposited as Accession Number PTA-2759. Plants obtained indirectly from a plant grown from the seed deposited as Accession Number PTA-2759 may be grown from a vegetative cutting, seed, callus or tissue culture obtained from a plant or plant part grown from the seed deposited as Accession Number PTA-2759 or a clonal plant thereof.

On page 27, please replace the paragraph after "ABSTRACT" with the following:

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Disclosed is a hybrid alfalfa seed deposited as ATCC Accession Number PTA-2759. Also disclosed is a hybrid alfalfa plant or part thereof derived from the seed deposited as ATCC Accession Number PTA-2759. A method of obtaining commercially acceptable production of alfalfa seed having at least 75% hybridity by planting male sterile and male fertile seed at a ratio of about 4:1 is also disclosed.